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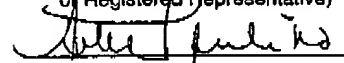
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PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)

Petitioner hereby respectfully requests that the holding of abandonment of the above-referenced application be withdrawn. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal is enclosed.

Abandonment was unintentional. An Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 was timely filed, which Petitioner believed would result in an allowance, and Petitioner did not attend to the file while awaiting a response to the 1.116 Amendment. When Petitioner received an Advisory Action stating that the Amendment would not be entered, the statutory period had already expired.

Accordingly, please withdraw abandonment of this file and enter the enclosed Request for Continued Examination.

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